Bureau of Land Management Surprise Field Office Categorical Exclusion Review

CX # DOI-BLM-CA-370-09-07	Date: 21 January 2009
Applicant: BLM	Prepared By: Roger Farschon, Ecologist
Title of Proposed Action: Stevens Camp and Massacre Ranch Renovations	File Code: (43 CFR)
Location of Proposed Action: T41N., R22E, Sec 3 Stevens Camp T41N., R21E, Sec 14 Massacre Ranch	Lease/Case File/Serial #

Description of Proposed Actions:

- 1) Add porch to existing cabin at Stevens Camp. Pour 8' X 42' reinforced concrete slab, support porch roof with peeled juniper posts, construct roof with corrugated metal over 2 X 8 joists.
- 2) Add porch to existing cabin at Massacre Ranch. Pour 8' X 20' reinforced concrete slab, support porch roof with peeled juniper posts, construct roof with corrugated metal over 2 X 8 joists.
- 3) Install 4 gate steel gate posts (6" drill casing) in concrete and hang two 16' gates, replacing existing wire gates on east and west side of Massacre Ranch fence.

Part I: Plan Conformance Review

The proposed Action is subject to the:

[] Surprise RMP

[X] Black Rock-High Rock NCA RMP

(The Proposed Action has been reviewed for conformance with this plan (43 CFR 1610.5, BLM Manual 1617.3).

Part II: NEPA Review

Categorical Exclusion Review: This Proposed Action qualifies as a categorical exclusion under:

[X] 516 DM2, (DOI) Appendix 3, 1.7 Routine and continuing government business, including such things as supervision, administration, operations, maintenance, renovations, and replacement activities having limited context and intensity (e.g., limited size and magnitude or short-term effects).

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The Proposed Action has been reviewed to determine if any extraordinary circumstances described in 516DM2, Appendix 5 apply. The review determined that none of the extraordinary circumstances in the appendix apply to the proposed actions.

Reviewer (Environmental Coordinator) Wy (Signature) 1/22/2009 (Date)

Part III: DECISION: I have reviewed this plan conformance and NEPA compliance record and have determined that the proposed project is in conformance with the approved land use plan and that no other environmental analysis is required. It is my decision to implement the project, as described, with the mitigation measures identified below.

Mitigation Measures/Remarks: An archaeologist will be at Massacre Ranch when the post holes are excavated.

Authorized Official Date: ~ 28-0